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Sinking Fund Account £28,230
£22,970,367
Revenue Fire Branch £2,381,466
Life and Annuity £2,141,593
Revenue Marine Department £37,239
Other Receipts £78,940
£5,839,238
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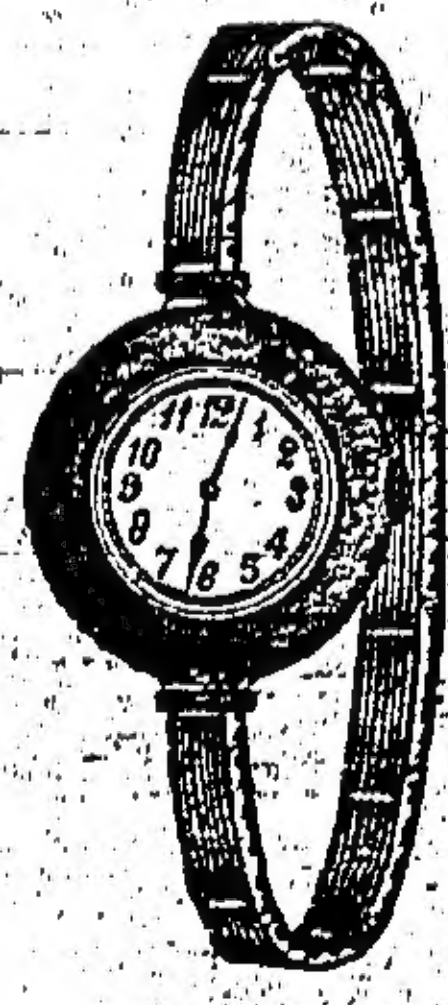
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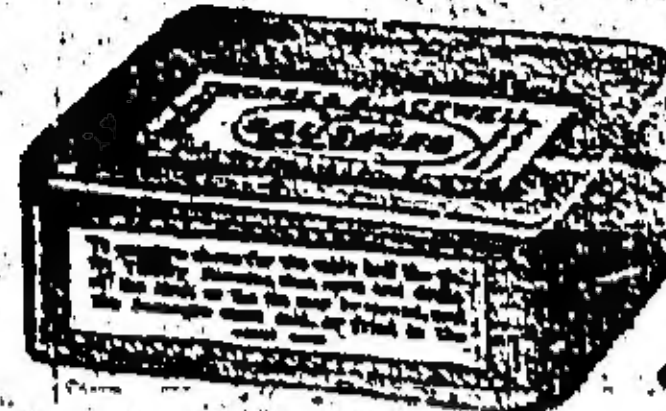
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COMMERCIAL.

SHARE REPORT.

Messrs. Vernon and Smyth in their
 weekly share report, dated 7th January
 state:—

Since the resumption of business after
 the New Year holidays, local stocks have,
 with few exceptions, gained further
 strength, interest again being centred
 chiefly in Hongkong and Indos, in which
 a large business has been done, and further
 substantial advances established. At the
 close the market generally is firm with a
 strong demand for the domesticated
 shares at full rates for both cash and for-
 ward delivery. Standard Tin has advanced
 to £174 for cash and £175 for 3 months
 delivery, and Plantation Rubber to 4/3
 and 4/2 for spot and 6 months' delivery
 respectively. The Silver closes at 25/4.
 Shipping T.T. at 1/11, Shanghai T.T. at
 7/4, and Singapore T.T. at 8/2. The Bank's
 buying rate for 3 1/2 bills on Shanghai now
 stands at 75.

Banks:—Hongkong and Shanghai have
 ruled dull with small sales at \$80, market
 closing with probable sales at this rate.
 Marine Insurance:—Unions have been
 booked at \$910 and are in further
 request. Cantons, North China and
 Yantong are unchanged, and without
 business to report.

New Insurance:—China have improved
 to a buying quotation of \$152 after sales,
 and Hongkong could probably be placed at
 \$410.

Shipping:—Douglases have been in
 strong request throughout the interval, and
 with few sellers at \$800, the rate has
 risen rapidly to \$114 cash, \$118 for settle-
 ment delivery, and \$118 for March, the
 market closing strong with more shares
 in request at these figures. Indo-China
 in sympathy with London market
 have advanced to \$174, and close in
 strong request at \$174 cash for the
 Combined, \$152 for the Preferred separate-
 ly, and \$151 for the Deferred. A large
 business has been done in the Combined
 and Deferred, and more shares are wanted
 both for cash and forward delivery. Star
 Ferries have been booked at \$37, and more
 shares are probably obtainable at this rate.
 Steamboats have been booked at \$24,
 and more shares can be placed at this
 figure.

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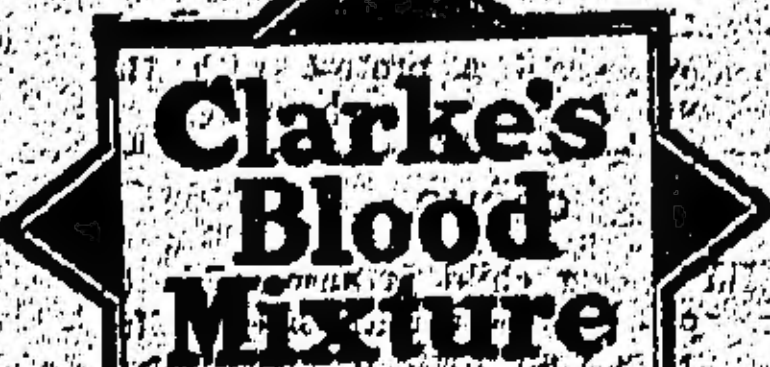
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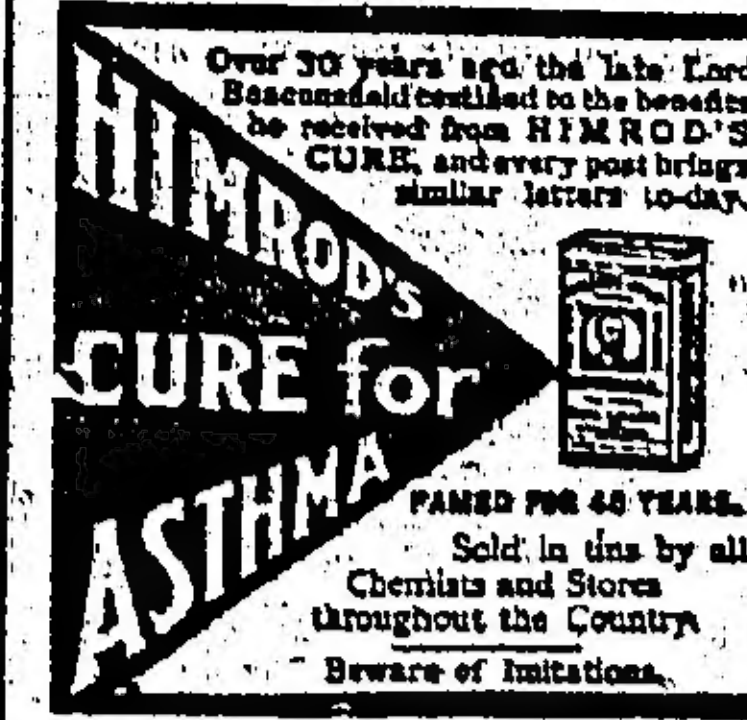
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 similar letters to-day.

Old—Shells have again been booked
 at \$7.50, and a few more shares are
 obtainable. Ural Caspian have been done
 locally at \$3, but are not obtainable from
 London under \$8.00. Langkate close with
 probable buyers in Shanghai at \$13.50.
 Repetitive—China Suez are slightly
 firmer with sales and buyers at \$27.
 Luzon continue neglected and could
 probably be obtained at something less
 than the nominal quotation of \$37.

Shipping—Rallies have been booked at
 \$30, and Tientsin at \$27, the latter closing
 in further request. Rube are wanted at
 \$3.35. As announced in the local press,
 the crushing for the past four weeks,
 as wired by our Singapore agents, is 1,111
 ounces as compared with 1,170 ounces for
 the preceding period.

Docks, Wharves and Godowns—Hong-
 kong and Whampoa Docks have been
 booked at \$20 for the old term, and at \$22
 for the new, more shares being wanted at
 the latter rate. Kowloon Wharves are
 also firmer with buyers at \$7 for cash
 after sales at \$7 and at \$7 for settlement
 delivery. In the North there are buyers
 of New Engineering at \$10, Shanghai and Hong-
 kong Wharves at \$10.

Land, Estate and Godowns—Central
 Estates are wanted at \$103 and Hongkong
 Lands at \$104, both companies being due
 for final dividends shortly. Humphreys
 Estates have sold at \$8, and are obtainable
 at this figure. Kowloon Lands are in
 request at \$40 and West Point at \$18, a
 new lease of the latter's property at an
 enhanced rental being accounted for the
 sudden advance in this quotation.

Cotton Mills—Kung Yik has been
 booked at \$14.14 and Shanghai Cotton at
 \$14.01. In the North there are buyers of
 Ewea at \$14.71, International at \$12.72,
 Kung Yik at \$14.14, and Langkate at \$12.72.
 Lao Kung Mow and Soy
 Chong are quoted nominal at \$1 and
 \$1.50 respectively.

Wholesale—Cement has ruled
 erratic with sales at varying rates from
 \$10.20 to \$10.50, closing with sellers at the
 latter rate. China Providents have ad-
 vanced to \$10 buyers, and Tientsin to \$5.33
 buyers. Ropes have declined to \$32 sellers
 and Dairy Farms to a buying quotation of
 \$27.

Memo:—Next Settling day—January
 28th.

THE FREIGHT MARKET.

Messrs. Snowman and Co., ship and
 freight brokers of Hongkong, in their
 circular dated 8th January, say:—
 The market during the interval under
 review has been exceedingly firm, and the
 only reason for the comparatively short list of
 fixtures is the increasing scarcity of prompt
 boats. Although Saigon has been enquiring
 after tonnage at 35 cents per picul, this
 has not attracted owners' attention at all,
 and the business put through during the
 past fortnight is chiefly represented by
 fixtures for pressing Coal requirements at
 exorbitant rates, as a matter of fact rates
 hitherto unknown and undreamt of by
 owners. Considering the Northern ports
 having closed for the winter months this
 time of the season generally should be
 opportune to charterers to pick up some
 cheap tonnage and the more so owners
 rightly can congratulate themselves on
 the splendid rates obtained, namely:—
 Tourane/Canton \$4.75, Haiphong/Swato
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 ing has come to pass locally, owners being
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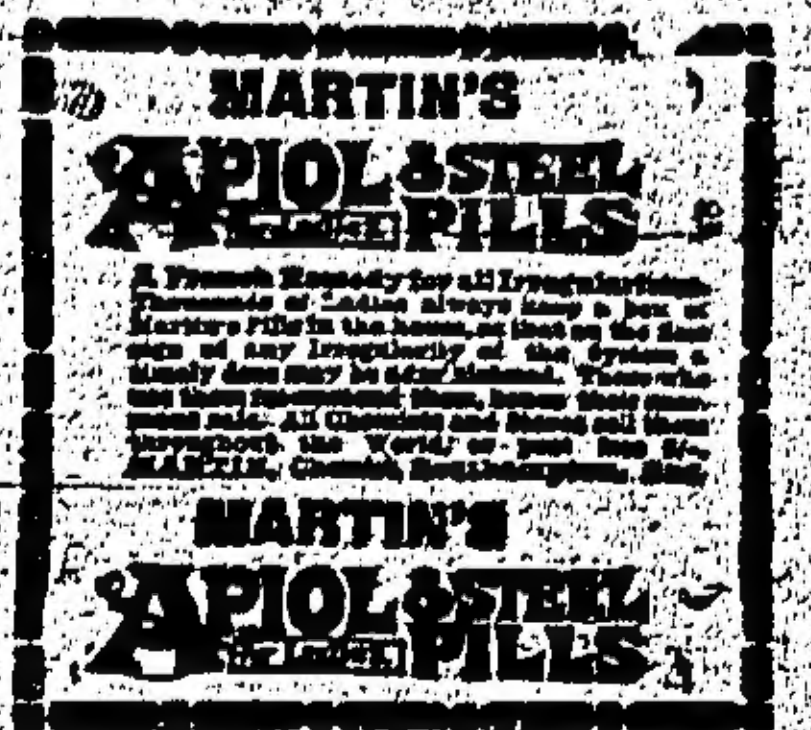
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 anticipated demand, which is sure to set in
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 freely, the rate should considerably stiffen
 with the market advancing.

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 come to pass since last reported.
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defeat all the efforts of our sanitarians to keep Hongkong free of the flea-infested rats to whom we owe our annually recurring plague epidemics. That is one of the chief barriers to the success of the Sanitary Department's effort here, and we doubt if another century of effort will make Hongkong a ratless city.

BIRTH.

MAUGHAN.—On December 31, Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. J. R. MAUGHAN, a son.

DEATHS.

HAYTER.—On December 6, at Sidmouth, South Devonshire, England, HENRY WILLIAM GOODENOUGH HAYTER, PTE.—Nov. 29, suddenly, at Burgh Heath, Gwent, wife of E. BURNS PTE., aged 33.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, JAN. 8, 1916.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The total rainfall in Hongkong for the month of December was 6.775 inches.

An accountant of a goldsmith's shop at 314 Queen's Road Central is reported to have absconded with \$800.

The theft of jewellery, money and clothing valued at \$149 is reported from 254 Queen's Road Central.

The various North Atlantic Cable Companies have decided to temporarily suspend the "deferred telegram" service.

The Chinese Telegraph Administration's new Wireless Station at Fochow is now open for general public correspondence with ships at sea.

The launch *Hung Lee*, plying between Aberdeen and Hongkong, foundered at Aberdeen Wharf this morning, apparently through the overloading of salt fish.

The new Orders-in-Council regarding Merchant Shipping made on November 10th, and whose provisions have been previously summarised in the *China Mail*, are published in full in the current issue of the *Government Gazette*.

The Rules made under the Importation and Exportation Ordinance appear in the current issue of the *Government Gazette*, and lists are published of persons to whom articles to be exported to China and Siam may be consigned.

Mr. E. F. Carmichael has received upwards of \$300 as the result of the appeal for funds to carry out a suggestion conveyed in a letter from Sergeant-Major Bayfield, that mosquito nets should be made by the ladies of Hongkong for troops in tropical fly-infested countries.

The following notification appears in the current issue of the *Hongkong Government Gazette*:—"It is hereby notified that the post of Assistant Medical Officer, Kowloon, has been rendered vacant by the absence of Mr. Pala Dara Raj Naidu without leave or reasonable cause, with effect from the 17th December, 1915."

We are asked to state that yachts taking part in the race for the "Miranda" Cup to-morrow will fly a signal flag from the International Code of Signals in lieu of the usual racing flag, such flag to be kept flying throughout the race. The flag selected will be communicated to members at the Club House on the morning of the race.

Many residents at the Peak were obliged to use Shank's pony this morning owing to the 8 a.m. upward Peak tram partly leaving the rail near the upper station. The depressor in some unaccountable manner jumped the rails and the fore part of the car itself was lifted off the rails. The service was not resumed till after 10 a.m.

BIG OPIUM SEIZURE AT SAN FRANCISCO.

A San Francisco despatch to the *Asahi* reports that the T.K.K. steamer *Seiya Maru*, for South America, has arrived at San Francisco from the Orient with \$500,000 worth of opium on board. The Customs authorities of the port seized and confiscated the opium. The *Toyoko Kisen Kaisha* has lodged a protest with the Washington Government on the matter.

GROUP.

EVERY young child is susceptible to croup. Don't wait until this dreadful disease attacks your little one before you prepare for it. It comes in the night when chemists' shops are usually closed, and keep Chamberlain's Cough Remedy on hand. It never fails, acts quickly and is absolutely harmless. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

BY THE WAY.

The trade of this Colony has naturally suffered through the war in many directions, but some very exaggerated views on the subject appear to be entertained by Germans who were exiled from Hongkong and are now residing in the Cross Roads. One idea they have is that since their departure houses rents in the Colony have slumped enormously. Those of them who may still study the local share reports must find, however, that this impression is rather difficult to reconcile with the quotations of shares of the Land and Building Companies. Their attention may this week be drawn particularly to the remark in Messrs. Vernon and Smyth's Report that there has been a sudden advance in West Points due to "a new lease of the property at an enhanced rental."

The Customs Commissioner at Canton in his Report for 1914 says: "It was remarked, as an instance of the curious effect of panic on people's minds that, during the period of unrest in October and November there was a strong exodus of passengers towards Hongkong by steamer and, simultaneously, a heavy influx by train." In that year there arrived and departed by steamers under Customs supervision 1,632,498 passengers (a decrease of 634,474), and the number of passengers, inward and outward, by the Canton-Kowloon Railway, was, approximately, 600,000.

The strange occurrence on which the Commissioner remarks is capable of a ready explanation. It is that after the outbreak of war the night service of the steamboats had to be suspended owing to the harbour being closed after dark, while the train services were continued as usual with only occasional interruptions, as I remember rightly.

The information is chronicled in a Peking paper that "in order to comfort the spirit of the deceased father of the Emperor-elect, and to comply with the will of the people," the Ministers of the Interior and Finance have submitted a joint Memorial to the Throne, requesting that the Temple of Yuan Ming-kung, the late father of the Ta Huang Ti, be reconstructed at the expense of the Government. The suggestion has been approved by the Ta Huang Ti. Nothing, of course, must stand in opposition to "the will of the people" in these democratic times in China.

Kwangtung is anxious to claim the new Emperor as being of Cantonese descent. I see that the Chiang Chun and the Governor of Kwangtung Province, in a joint memorial to the Throne, state that Yuan Chung-huan (said to be the "good" ancestor of the President) was a "good" native of Kwangtung and achieved considerable military merits in his time. For this and other good reasons, it is requested that this Cantonese progenitor of the Ta Huang Ti should be deified and assigned a "seat" in the Temple of Kwang Yu and Yueh Fei, the National War Heroes, to share the worship, etc. The memorial has been referred to the Bureau of Ceremony for consideration; but it cannot be said that their decision is awaited by the mass of the people with breathless interest.

Foreign Powers may think that they influence affairs in China, but every Chinaman knows that it is the native Astrologer who really directs things. For weeks past the world has been agog to know when the new Emperor is going to be enthroned. The Powers have hinted that some delay would be advisable, but a "certain" high official who enjoys a reputation as a versatile astrologer says the signs and portents dictate the Fourth Day of the First Moon as the date of the Grand Ceremony. The wise one avers that this date corresponds most admirably with the prosperous age of Ta Huang Ti. The date of the Birth of the Holy Master is understood to fall within the region of "Fire"; and the Fourth Day of the First Moon of the First Year of the new dynasty "belongs" to the element of wood or "Tree." Since "Fire" comes out of "Tree," the astrologer declares with crushing logic that the Fourth Day of the First Moon of this year should be marked by the Event of the Accession of the Ta Huang Ti. And the official world of Peking says: "Amen. So be it."

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P. C.s are warned that they are forbidden to make enquiries as to Parades, Patrols, etc., at this office, either personally or by letter. All such information must be obtained from Section, Platoon, and Company Commanders.

URGENT NOTICE.—INSURETY.—Inspectors and Sergeants are advised that the Shook fixed for Sunday, January 9th, is hereby cancelled and will take place on Sunday next January 10th.
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SOMETHING TO REMEMBER.

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THE MAGISTRACY.

STEALING DRAIN PIPES.

Two Chinese, charged by Det. Sergeant Willis with respectively stealing and receiving from a store at Canton Road, Yau-mat, 109 drain pipes and 46 balustrade supports, value \$482.35, were remanded this morning.

OPIUM SMUGGLING.

A Chinese arrested on the Praya was fined \$800 or two months by Mr. Hazeland this morning for unlawful possession of eight tins of prepared opium. He walked on two tins of opium concealed under his socks.

THEFT OF ANTIMONY ORE.

A Chinese junk-master who pleaded guilty to the theft of 6,380 lbs. of antimony ore, value \$1,000, was sentenced by Mr. Hazeland, this morning to six months' imprisonment and four hours' stocks.

Det. Sgt. Willis prosecuted, Mr. Davidson representing the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha the owners of the ore.
It appeared that on January 3rd defendant took a cargo of 573 bags of antimony ore from West Point to the *Bonnie Mary*, lying at Kowloon. On the way he cut the bags open and abstracted over 6,000 lbs. of the ore, storing it in the bilges. The shipment was refused on account of the bags being dunnage, while the junk was taken to the wharf, where the missing ore was discovered.

The defendant seemed concerned as to what would happen to his junk, but was told he could give his wife a power of attorney. He said that his wife was dead, but Det. Sergeant Willis said he had told him that she had run away.

SEQUEL TO MOTOR CYCLE ACCIDENT.

CHARGE OF FURIOUS DRIVING.

Mr. Hazeland at the Magistracy this morning resumed the hearing of the case in which Harry S. Kowloon, of Robinson Road, was summoned "for that he, on Sunday, December 19th, having charge of a motor bicycle, unlawfully and by wanton furious driving did cause bodily harm to one Mrs. Isaac Turner, at Wongnei-chong."

Mr. W. E. L. Shenton prosecuted, and Mr. Bellis, instructed by Mr. J. H. Gardner, defended.

Mr. A. L. Scrutcher, second engineer of the s.s. *Fishers*, said he was coming away from the European cemetery at the time of the accident. When near the grand stand of the Jockey Club he saw a motor bicycle and side-car on the right-hand side of the road travelling towards Hongkong. Witness was on the left-hand side. Thirty yards behind was another bicycle, which passed on the left. The second bicycle was going at about 25 miles per hour. He heard no warning sound. The next thing he saw was some soldiers running across the road, and an object lying on the road. The motor-bicycle cleared off. He did not see defendant at the house to which the woman had been taken.

By Mr. Bellis.—It was by sheer good luck that Mr. Tarby, his companion, was not knocked down by the second bicycle. Mr. Tarby pushed against witness, and said he would take the stick to the cyclist if he could get hold of him.

The hearing was adjourned.

KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY.

THE EXPRESS TRAIN SERVICE.

We are asked to announce that the 4 o'clock Express from Kowloon to Canton will be cancelled from to-morrow and in its place an Express train will leave Kowloon at 2.50 p.m.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

The appointment of 2nd Lieut. R. J. Stevenson, Hongkong Volunteer Reserve to be Lieutenant is gazetted.
Mr. E. Gaster, who was formerly in the service of the China Fire Insurance Co. in Hongkong, has obtained a commission in the Northumberland Fusiliers.

Many friends in Hongkong will read with sorrow the announcement of the sudden death of Mrs. Burns-Eye, who resided in Hongkong a few years ago.

An engagement is announced between Vivien, only son of Commander Frederick Vivien, R.N. Reserve (retired), of Shanghai, and Enid, only daughter of Mr. Wareham Smith, of 91, Upper Tulse-hill, London.

A marriage has been arranged between Lieutenant Thomas Arthur Pearson, R.N.D., only son of Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Pearson of Soldier's Point, Holyhead, and Rosemary Evelyn, only daughter of the late Arthur Albert, of Shanghai, and of Mrs. Albert, 30, Egerton-gardens.

It is officially announced that Mrs. Wang and Mrs. Huang have been appointed as Lady Interpreters to the Imperial Court of China. The former is the third daughter of Madame Sun Pao-chi, having studied in Germany and France when her father was Minister to those countries; and the latter who is the wife of Mr. Huang Yung-ling, studied in a University in the United States and lived in England and the English Colonies for a number of years. Mr. Huang was formerly Consul General in Australia and is now a member of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

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THE POWERS AND CHINA.

INTERPELLATIONS IN THE CHINESE PARLIAMENT.

The following report of the interpellations on the above subject in the Tan Ching Yuan on December 29th is taken from the *Peking Gazette*:

At half past three, Mr. Tiao Ju-lin, Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs, arrived. He was introduced by the Chairman. Mr. Tiao apologized for the Foreign Minister's inability to attend the meeting on account of pressure of business. In response to the interpellation made by the Tan Ching Yuan relating to the advice offered by the Quintuplice to the Government regarding the monarchical restoration, Mr. Tiao stated that on the 28th of the 9th month of this year, three Foreign Ministers representing their respective countries called at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and there they made a verbal communication to the Chinese Authorities. The communication was to the effect that according to information in possession of the Japanese Government, there were signs of unrest and disturbance in the south-eastern provinces on account of the impending change of the form of government planned by the Chinese Government. The interests of the peace of the Far East and of the sovereignty of China, the Powers concerned tendered their advice to the Chinese Government recommending the postponement of the movement for a monarchical restoration. Mr. Lu Cheng-shiang, Minister of Foreign Affairs, replied to the Representatives of the three Powers in the sense that the change in the form of state was being carried out by the Government in strict accordance with the provisions of the Constitutional Compact, according to which the sovereignty of the Republic of China was vested in the people and that as the change was first requested by the people, the Government could do nothing but yield to the wishes of the people. On November 11, Minister Lu sent Vice-Minister Tiao to the different Legations concerned to make a definite reply pointing out that the question of the change of Kuo-i was purely an internal affair of the country. He explained to each of the Foreign Ministers that the Government, fearing that the stifling of public opinion would cause trouble, had ever since adopted a laissez-faire attitude towards the monarchical movement, not interfering with it. The Acting Li Fu Yuan then asked a law defining the method by which the opinion of the people could be consulted. The President on September 6, deputed a delegate to the Tiao Ching Yuan declaring the unconstitutionality of the change of Kuo-i; and on October 10 a mandate was issued enjoining the provincial officials to carry out the election with due care. On the 18th of the same month telegraphic messages were sent by the President of the provinces, ordering the officials there to carry out the election in strict accordance with the provisions of the law. Following this, messages were also sent to the provincial officials regarding the situation in their respective provinces. In reply to the inquiries of the Government, the provincial officials unanimously informed the Government of their ability to maintain the situation in their respective centres, and they further intimated that they could guarantee that there would be absolutely no unrest or disturbance. The provincial officials further stated that information alleged to have been gathered by foreigners respecting the internal condition of this country could not be compared for accuracy with what the officials themselves had obtained; and they unanimously recommended the Government to adopt the monarchical form of government, as they thought that this country, with such extensive an area and such density of population who were as yet very poorly educated—is better fitted to be ruled under a monarchical regime than under any other form of government. It was further pointed out to the Foreign Ministers that according to the reports to Kuo-i was opposed only by a handful of rebels and the desire for the expression of the people as Burns and Annam are adjacent to the territory of this country, the Powers exercising jurisdiction over those two countries should take vigilant measures to prevent the Chinese rebels from taking refuge in their respective territories. The speaker then informed the House that on Nov. 3, Mr. Conty, the French Minister at Peking, tendered the same advice which Japan, Great Britain and Russia had tendered to the Government; and two days after, the Italian Minister at Peking associated himself with the Ministers of the other four Powers in tendering precisely the same advice to the Chinese Government.

A DIPLOMATIC TEA PARTY.

Minister Lu Cheng-shiang then invited the Ministers representing the five Powers concerned to a "tea party," and communicated to them the result of the meeting throughout the country and further declared that the Chinese Government would hold itself responsible for the maintenance of peace in the country. The Foreign Ministers were further requested to communicate to their respective Governments that it was the desire of the Chinese Government to invoke their co-operation in suppressing rebel activities in places beyond the jurisdiction of the Chinese Government.
On December 15 the Ministers representing the Governments of the five Powers concerned repeated their advice at the Wai Chiao Pu, and Minister Lu in reply stated that although the monarchical form of government was not yet formally restored, the result of the balloting to decide the change of Kuo-i had already been known and that it was the desire of the Chinese Government that the Powers concerned should respect the sovereignty of this country by accepting the declaration which had been made by the Government in response to their advice on a previous occasion. The Japanese Minister, on behalf of his Government, assured Minister Lu that the Japanese Government had no intention to interfere with the internal affairs of this country and the Japanese authorities concerned not to misunderstand the nature of the advice. The same assurance was given by the Ministers representing the Governments of the other four Powers. Mr. Tiao concluded by remarking that the essential facts regarding what had transpired during the two visits of the Foreign Ministers to the Wai Chiao Pu in connexion with their advice.

THE "PRICE FOR RECOGNITION."

After Mr. Tiao had concluded his speech, Mr. Wang Ying-chuan asked what truth there was in the report published in the Japanese papers, stating that for the recognition of the new Empire, the Chinese Government had offered certain considerations.
Mr. Chen Lueh also asked whether the assurance of non-interference was given by the Canton-Kowloon line show an increase from August onwards in the monthly average of passengers carried.

the Quintuplice by the Government before the rendering of the advice or afterwards. Mr. Tiao answered that it was contained in the last declaration of the Japanese Minister.

Mr. Lu Ju-lin also asked the Vice-Minister whether the request made by the British and Russian Governments for the country's adherence to the Kwantung in consideration of the recognition of the Empire?

Mr. Tiao answered that these questions were beyond the scope of the interpellation and he was not authorized to answer such questions.
Mr. Tiao then retired.
Mr. Liang Shih yi, addressing the House, stated that the House would have to admit that the answers given by the Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs were clear and definite and that the facts related by the Vice-Minister to the House should be communicated to the provinces, requesting the provincial authorities to give the people to understand that the Foreign Powers had no intention to interfere with the internal affairs of this country. The motion was agreed to by the House and the Chairman announced that a telegram to this effect should as once be despatched to the provinces. [This was subsequently done.]

THE OUTBREAK IN YUNNAN.

TROOPS ON THE MOVE.

Troops have been moving during the fortnight towards the Yunnan frontier. Although it is not yet publicly known what plan of operations the General Staff, has adopted with regard to the campaign, the general movement of troops throughout the country, says the *Peking Gazette*, seems to point to the gradual mastering of a great section of troops round three sides of the provinces of Yunnan, leaving presumably the other side of the frontier to the French authorities in attack. The belief in official circles is that since there is an agreement respecting the importation of arms into China across the Annamite frontiers, there is no fear of the rebels getting any supply from the quarter. The military authorities of Kwangtung, Kwangsi, Kweichow, Hunan and Szechuen are known to have been instructed to despatch their troops to their respective borders; and the troops of Hunan will be despatched presently to the Yunnan border. To fill the breach created by the departure of the Hunan troops, the 7th Division and other troops of the North have been despatched southward to replace them. It may be thus inferred that the strategic plan is rapidly to concentrate all the troops now available in provinces adjacent to Yunnan. In the order as they are now stationed and attack Yunnan simultaneously when the concentration is completed. This, it is presumed, will take some time as the question of transport in the hilly country of Yunnan and Kwangsi is not an easy one to solve.

PACIFICATION TO PRECEDE WAR.

It is reported, however, that the Ta Huang Ti still desires to settle the trouble, if possible, in a peaceful way. Various means are being adopted to bring the leading opponents of the new Empire in Yunnan to the acceptance of reasonable terms.

CANTON RAILWAYS.

The following information is taken from the report for 1914 of the Customs Commissioner (Mr. F. W. Mase), which has just been issued:

CANTON-KOWLOON RAILWAY.

The total number of passengers carried on this line during the year was, approximately, 2,200,000, including 600,000 through passengers. Goods traffic decreased somewhat, the amount of freight dealt with being 37,000 tons, against 42,000 tons during 1913, but the aggregate total receipts increased from \$784,000 to \$897,000. Owing to lack of sufficient rolling-stock the local trains schedule was reduced from May till the end of September, when the arrival of three new engines allowed a resumption of the former time table. During July extensive damage was done to the line by floods, and, as a consequence, no trains could be run between Taisihow and Shekling for a fortnight. This interruption in traffic is estimated to have made a difference of \$20,000 in the earnings, apart from the heavy cost incurred in repairing the permanent way and bridges on the section affected. A night service of through express trains, inaugurated during March, ran for three months, but on the 16th August the night express from Kowloon was derailed and looted by robbers in the vicinity of Santong, and the service was at once discontinued. The robbers, numbering close on 200, had previously torn up two lengths of metal, with the result that the engine left the track and crashed into the wall of a tunnel. Only one of the passengers appears to have been injured, but a native guard who attempted resistance was killed and another wounded by the robbers, who finally got away with a considerable amount of booty.

CANTON-HANKOW RAILWAY.

Owing, it is said, to lack of funds, less progress was made on this line than in previous years. The 12th section was completed, however, and traffic opened in May to the Wushieh station, 122 miles from Canton. Work on the Changfeng-tung tunnel in the 10th section continues slowly, and the road bed in the 14th section is reported to be nearing completion. Each section represents a distance of 10 miles. The number of passengers carried daily is given as 6,200, and the amount of freight dealt with as 360 tons.

The Canton-Samsui branch of the Yuet-Han Railway continues to do well, the number of passengers carried daily being, approximately, 12,700. During June, owing to the heavy floods, the line between Taisihow and Samsui was completely submerged, traffic being suspended for more than a month. Generally speaking, railway traffic here does not seem to have been affected adversely by the war. On this railway, the returns of the Canton-Kowloon line show an increase from August onwards in the assurance of non-interference was given by monthly average of passengers carried.

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MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

9 a.m.—Excursion to Macao by s.s. "Tai-han".
Semi-final of Golf Championship at Faning.

General Memoranda.

THURSDAY, Jan. 11.—
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Blackwood ware Furniture, Brasen, etc., at Messrs. Hughes and Houghton's.

FRIDAY, Jan. 22.—
Entries close for the Races.

MONDAY, Jan. 31.—
9.15 p.m.—Piano Recital by Mr. Denman Fuller, F.R.C.O., L.R.A.M., in the City Hall.

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THE WAR.

TO-DAY'S TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

GERMANY'S STRENGTH.

LONDON, Jan. 7. The Times' Military Correspondent estimates that there are two millions of Germans on the Western front, a million on the East and 2 millions on the lines of communications, and in garrisons, etc. Germany must find herself between May and October unable to maintain the strength of her offensives; therefore she is bound before then to force a decision on one front or the other.

The writer submits tentatively the conclusion that the defeat of Russia may still be the central feature of German strategy. If General von Mackensen's troops which have hitherto been destined to support the Turks in Syria and elsewhere have been rushed back to stem General Ivanoff's attack on Egypt is likely to lose the best season for such operations, or he launched minus German troops.

WHAT RUSSIAN MILITARY EXPERTS THINK.

A POSSIBLE BATTLE ON AN UNPRECEDENTED SCALE.

PETERSBURG, Jan. 7. A communique says:— "We have occupied the cemetery at Czartorysk and established our guns in the captured portions of the enemy's positions north-east of Czartorysk."

Russian military experts think the Germans may attempt an offensive between Pinsk and Smorgoni, in retaliation for the present Russian offensive. This would be to the advantage of Russia because the Germans would have to leave behind them formidable defences and safe winter quarters. Such a move would mean a battle on an unprecedented scale, namely along 800 miles of front.

BRITISH SUBMARINE SINKS.

ENTIRE CREW OF 33 RESCUED.

LONDON, Jan. 7. The Admiralty announces that a British submarine sunk off Texel (N. Holland) yesterday. The entire crew of 33 were rescued and brought to Helder by the Dutch cruiser Noord Brebant.

AMSTERDAM, Jan. 7.

Dutch correspondents learn from the crew that the British submarine lost its bearings and ran on Haaks-groen and spring a leak.

The bluejackets are now in the Naval barracks.

WRECK AT FORMOSA.

LONDON, Jan. 7. It is reported that the steamer *Australian Transport*, ashore on the coast of Formosa, has 23 ft. of water in her No. 1 hold.

NORWEGIAN STEAMER SUNK.

LONDON, Jan. 7. The Norwegian steamer *Fridtjof* has been sunk. Two of the crew were drowned.

VICTORIAN WHEAT YIELD.

MELBOURNE, Jan. 7. Mr. Hagellhorn, Commissioner of Public Works, states that the Victorian wheat yield will probably be between 55,000,000 and 60,000,000 bushels surpassing all estimates.

POISON-GAS INSTALLATION DESTROYED.

PARIS, Jan. 7. A communique says:— "We successfully bombarded the enemy's defences at Stenestrate, and Hennes. At Boesinghe Station, Bois le Euxmont, South Arna we shelled a train as it was passing through."

An entire poison-gas installation was destroyed by gunfire in Champagne, north of Marvan Farm, several reservoirs being blown up.

COMPULSION.

THE DEBATE IN PARLIAMENT.

LONDON, Jan. 7.

In the debate on the Compulsory Service Bill in the House of Commons Mr. Samuel said he was convinced of the necessity for the Bill by the cold logic of facts. A million men could and must be spared. He was convinced that the war could only be won by hard fighting.

Mr. Barnes (Labour) said he knew that there was a strong feeling in his constituency against the Bill, but he was going to risk voting for the Bill. He had returned that day after a month spent in France. He visited the lines from end to end. Men were in the trenches four days and nights in a stretch making cheerful but terrible sacrifices. The least we could do was to see that all young men living at home in comfort did their share.

Mr. A. J. Balfour (First Lord of the Admiralty) said that never had a debate on a controversial subject shown more fundamental unity of feeling, genuine patriotism and determination to do what was best. That night's division might do harm abroad, but any impartial listener to the whole debate would be convinced that never was a more united front shown by any country in circumstances of great stress in regard to the great policy we were pursuing and would pursue to an absolutely successful issue.

The Bill passed its first reading, the voting being as follows:—
For the Bill 403
Against 105
Majority 298

The minority was composed of 55 Nationalists, several Liberals, including Mr. John Burns, and the Rt. Hon. Sir A. Mond. The Labourites were divided and the O'Brienites abstained.

When the announcement of the result of the division was read there were loud cheers from the Khaki members who waved handkerchiefs. Mr. Asquith, while he walked down the floor of the House, received an ovation.

LATER.

The majority of the Labour members of the House of Commons and the National Labour Executive have decided to oppose the Compulsion Bill in view of the decision of the Labour Congress.

Mr. Henderson, interviewed, said he did not intend to resign his seat, but would have resigned had the Congress required him to oppose the Bill, which he would continue to support.

The figures of the minority vote against Compulsion show 50 Nationalists, 34 Liberals, and 7 Labourites. Mr. Henderson, Mr. Roberts and Mr. Bruce (Labour members of the Government) did not vote.

FRENCH PRESS WARMLY APPRECIATIVE.

LONDON, Jan. 7. The French Press is warm in its appreciation of the adoption of the principle of compulsion by Great Britain.

THE CONDUCT OF THE WAR.

LORD LANSLOWNE REPLIES TO CRITICISMS.

LONDON, Jan. 7. Lord Lansdowne, replying in the House of Lords to criticisms on the conduct of the war, said it must be remembered that we had to consult our Allies at every step; hence the apparent hesitation with which the Government was sometimes charged. If we treated our Allies as Germany treated hers the task would be simpler, but fortunately that was not the kind of relations prevailing between us and them; thus responsibility for the direction of affairs was not undivided.

THE VACANCY IN THE CABINET.

LONDON, Jan. 8. It is reported that the Rt. Hon. R. L. Samuel will succeed Sir John Simon as Home Secretary.

BYE-ELECTIONS IN ENGLAND.

LONDON, Jan. 8. Polling takes place on Monday at West Newington in the bye-election due to the elevation of Captain Norton to the Peerage.

The candidates are:—Liberal, Mr. Gilbert, County Councillor; and Unionist, Mr. Terrett, who opposes restrictions on the sale of drink in London.

Mr. E. T. Mackenzie Bell will contest St. George's, Hanover Square, in the Liberal interest.

RECRUITING RE-OPENING.

LONDON, Jan. 7. It is announced that the group system will be re-opened on Monday for married as well as single men, and it is hoped that a large number of volunteers will come forward.

A TRADES UNION AMALGAMATION.

LONDON, Jan. 7. A Committee has been appointed to draft a scheme of amalgamation for the Trade Unions of the Iron and Steel trades.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

COMPULSORY MILITARY SERVICE.

LABOUR OPPOSITION.

RAILWAYMEN'S OPPOSITION AMENDMENT CARRIED.

LONDON, Jan. 8. The Railwaymen's amendment urging Congress to use every means in its power to oppose the Bill, and recommending that the Labour members of Parliament oppose it, was carried by 1,715,000 votes to 934,000.

BIG ANTI-COMPULSION MAJORITY.

The Labour Congress adopted as a substantive motion an amendment opposing the Compulsion Bill by a majority of 1,215,000 votes.

LABOUR MINISTERS RESIGN.

The Labourites, Mr. Henderson (President of the Board of Education), Mr. W. Bruce (Under-Secretary to the Home Office), and Mr. George Roberts (Junior Lord of the Treasury) have resigned from the Ministry.

It is understood that they will vote for the Compulsion Bill to-night, despite the decision of Congress.

WITHDRAWAL FROM COALITION.

The Labour Party decided to withdraw from the Coalition, hence the resignations of Messrs. Henderson, Bruce, and Roberts, although they are supporters of the Bill.

TALK OF GENERAL ELECTION.

There is some talk in political circles of the possibility of a General Election owing to the Labour Congress vote. It is stated that if the situation became strained the Premier would not hesitate to go to the country in order to strengthen the Government. If this happened it is stated that provision would be made for voters at the Front to record their votes.

The House of Commons passed the first reading of the Compulsion Bill by 493 votes to 105.

RECRUITING OFFICES TO BE RE-OPENED.

The recruiting offices on Monday re-open for enlistment under the Derby group system.

THE SWISS BOURSE.

FRANTIC SELLING OF GERMAN SECURITIES.

ZURICH, Jan. 7. On the Bourse, German exchange is quoted at 92, the lowest rate that has yet prevailed here. There has been frantic selling of German securities.

REMOVAL OF HONGKONG PRISONERS OF WAR.

LONDON, Jan. 8. In the House of Commons, Mr. Bonar Law, Secretary of State for the Colonies, said it had been decided, with the concurrence of the Commonwealth Government, to deport to Australia the prisoners of war and the enemy women and children interested in Hongkong. They were expected to leave the Colony on the 15th inst.

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ARRESTED SALONIKA CONSULS LIBERATED.

GREEK GOVERNMENT SATISFIED.

LONDON, Jan. 7. A telegram from Athens says that the Entente Ministers have informed the Greek Government that the Consuls arrested at Salonika have been set free. The Greek Government declared itself satisfied.

[A previous telegram mentioned the conveyance of the Consuls to the Swiss frontier.]

ALLIES AND GREECE.

LONDON, Jan. 8. In the House of Commons Sir Edward Grey said that he did not think the Allies' diplomatic situation in Greece was other than satisfactory.

INTERESTING BYE-ELECTION IN LONDON.

LONDON, Jan. 6. A most interesting bye-election is pending at St. George's, Hanover Square, owing to the elevation of Sir R. Henderson to the peerage. Sir George Reid, the official Unionist candidate, is opposed by Mr. Gibson Bowles, who is standing for "the full exercise of our sea power and no interference with the action of the Fleet."

NOTABLE AUSTRALIAN ENLISTMENTS.

MELBOURNE, Jan. 6. The Antarctic explorer, Dr. Mawson, the Legation, Hon. Mr. McDonald, of New South Wales; and Mr. Staniforth Smith, Administrator of New Guinea, have enlisted.

THE "PERSIA" DISASTER.

OFFICIAL FIGURES.

LONDON, Jan. 7. Following are the official figures of the *Persia* disaster:—Saved, 166; drowned, 335.

ITALIAN LINER'S ARMAMENT.

NEW YORK, Jan. 7. The Italian liner *Guinepepe Verdi* has arrived here having two 4-inch guns mounted at the stern. It is probable that the Government will request that the guns be dismounted before the ship leaves American waters.

PROHIBITED EXPORTS.

FURTHER AMENDMENTS.

The current issue of the *Hongkong Government Gazette* contains a Proclamation amending the previous one relating to prohibited export as follows:—

(1) That the exportation of the following goods be prohibited to all destinations other than the United Kingdom and British Possessions and Protectorates:—

Cinchona bark, quinine and its salts; Metal cylinders such as are used for containing compressed oxygen or hydrogen.

(2) That the heading "Oil, blast furnace (except creosote and creosote oil)," in the list of goods the exportation of which is prohibited to all destinations other than the United Kingdom and British Possessions and Protectorates be deleted, and there be inserted in the list of goods the exportation of which is prohibited to all foreign countries in Europe and on the Mediterranean and Black Seas, other than France, Russia (except through Baltic ports), Italy, Spain and Portugal, the heading "Creosote and creosote oils (including blast furnace oil) except wood tar oil (the exportation of which is already prohibited to all destinations other than the United Kingdom and British Possessions and Protectorates)."

(3) That the heading "Woolen and worsted cloth suitable for uniform clothing, not including women's dress stuffs or cloth with pattern," in the list of goods the exportation of which is prohibited to all destinations other than the United Kingdom and British Possessions and Protectorates be deleted, and there be inserted in the list of goods the exportation of which is prohibited to all foreign countries in Europe and on the Mediterranean and Black Seas, other than France, Russia (except through Baltic ports), Italy, Spain and Portugal, the heading "Cloth of all kinds manufactured of wool or hair (except khaki woollen cloth, the exportation of which is already prohibited to all destinations other than the United Kingdom and British Possessions and Protectorates)."

(4) That the sub-heading "Herring, cured or salted, in barrels or cases, including dry salted herrings and herrings in brine," in the list of goods the exportation of which is prohibited to all foreign countries in Europe and on the Mediterranean and Black Seas, other than France, Russia (except through Baltic ports), Italy, Spain and Portugal, be deleted, and there be substituted therefor the sub-heading "Fish of all kinds, whether cured, salted or fresh."

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HONGKONG VOLUNTEER CORPS.

Corps Orders by Lieut.-Col. A. Chapman, V.D.

FIELD OPERATIONS P.T. JANT.

The Right Centre and Left Sections Machine Gun Company will parade tomorrow as follows:—
9.00 a.m. at Statue Pier—Members living in Hongkong.
9.30 a.m. at Kowloon Docks—Members living in Kowloon.

PARADES.

Parades for Monday, 10th inst.
7 a.m. and 8.30 p.m.—Members of Signalling Section and other Signallers as detailed in Signalling Section order dated 8.12.15—Morse flag and Morse lamp practice at Headquarters.
Scouts Company will parade next week as follows:—
Tuesday, 11th Jan.—5.15 p.m.—M. G. Section of No. 4 Section, Machine Gun drill at Headquarters.
Remainder of No. 4 Section, "Bayonet fighting at Headquarters."

Wednesday, 12th January, 5.15 p.m.—

M. G. Section of No. 1 Section—M. G. drill at Headquarters. Remainder of No. 1 Section, Bayonet fighting at Headquarters.
Thursday, 13th January, 5.15 p.m.—M. G. Section of No. 2 Section, M. G. drill at Headquarters. Remainder of No. 2 Section, Bayonet fighting at Headquarters.
Friday, 14th January, 5.15 p.m.—M. G. Section of No. 3 Section, M. G. drill at Headquarters. Remainder of No. 3 Section, Bayonet fighting at Headquarters.

DETAILS.

Gun Club Hill, Kowloon.—On duty until morning of 15th inst.—M. G. Section of No. 1 Section—M. G. drill at Headquarters. Officer on duty: Capt. W. M. Scott.
P. of W. Camp, Kowloon.—On duty to-night: Scouts Company Officer on duty: Lieut. Murphy.
On duty to-morrow night: Scouts Company. Officer on duty: Capt. Stewart.
On duty 10th inst.: Scouts Company. Officer on duty: Capt. Hutchison.
Orderly Sergeant until morning of 15th inst. Surgt. Hegarty.

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER RESERVES.

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P. of W. Camp, Kowloon.

Saturday 15th inst. Secs. 1 and 2 of A Co.
Sunday 16th inst. Secs. 1 and 3 of B Co.
Monday 17th inst. Secs. 1 of C Co.
Tuesday 18th inst. Secs. 3 and 4 of A Co.
Wednesday 19th inst. Secs. 3 and 4 of B Co.
Thursday 20th inst. Secs. 2, 3 and 4 of C Co.

Gun Club Hill, Kowloon.

Saturday 15th inst. Secs. 3 and 4 of A Co.
Sunday 16th inst. Secs. 3 and 4 of B Co.
Monday 17th inst. Secs. 2, 3 and 4 of C Co.
Tuesday 18th inst. Secs. 1 and 2 of A Co.
Wednesday 19th inst. Secs. 1 and 2 of B Co.
Thursday 20th inst. Secs. 1 of C Co.

PARADES.

"B" Co. will parade on the Cricket Ground on Monday the 10th inst. at 5.15 p.m. Dress: drill order.
"C" Co. will parade on the Cricket Ground on Wednesday the 12th inst. at 5.15 p.m. Dress: drill order.
"A" Co. will parade on the Cricket Ground on Friday the 14th inst. at 5.15 p.m. Dress: drill order.

Recruits will parade on the Cricket Ground on Monday the 10th inst.

Wednesday the 13th inst. and Thursday the 15th inst. at 5.15 p.m. under Sergt. Major Bond. Dress: drill order.

The Signalling Section will parade at Volunteer Headquarters on Monday the 10th inst. Wednesday the 13th inst. and Friday the 14th inst. at 5.15 p.m. Uniform to be worn.

POSTINGS.

Pte. K. W. Bean, having joined is allotted Corps No. 570 and posted to Co. "C" Sec. 3.
Pte. N. E. Kent, having joined, is allotted Corps No. 571 and posted to Co. "C" Sec. 3.
Pte. H. H. Taylor, having joined, is allotted Corps No. 572 and posted to Co. "A" Sec. 4.
Pte. A. Courze, having joined, is allotted Corps No. 573 and posted to Co. "D".
Pte. P. Glendenning, having joined, is allotted Corps No. 574 and posted to Co. "B" Section 4.

Pte. W. S. Glendenning, having joined, is allotted Corps No. 575 and posted to Co. "B" Section 4.

Pte. J. Carr, having joined, is allotted Corps No. 576 and posted to Co. "C" Section 2.

FIELD EXERCISES.

Field exercises will be carried out by "C" Co. on Sunday the 16th inst. Further orders will be issued.

To-day's Advertisements.

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THE GENERAL MEETING of the Company which was adjourned on the 13th day of December last, will be continued on MONDAY the 17th day of January, 1916, at 12 o'clock, Noon at the Offices of the Company in Hongkong when the Resolution for the adoption of New Articles will be proceeded with.

Dated the 6th January, 1916.

R. M. DYER, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, Jan. 8, 1916.

KOWLOON CANTON RAILWAY.

NOTICE.

IMPORTANT ALTERATION OF EXPRESS TRAIN.

THE PUBLICS HEREBY NOTIFIED that on and from SUNDAY, January 9th, and until further notice the Express Train hitherto to leave Kowloon for Canton at 4.00 p.m. is cancelled and in its place an Express Train will leave Kowloon at 2.50 p.m. arriving Canton at 6.20.

By Order, H. P. WINSLOW, Manager.

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